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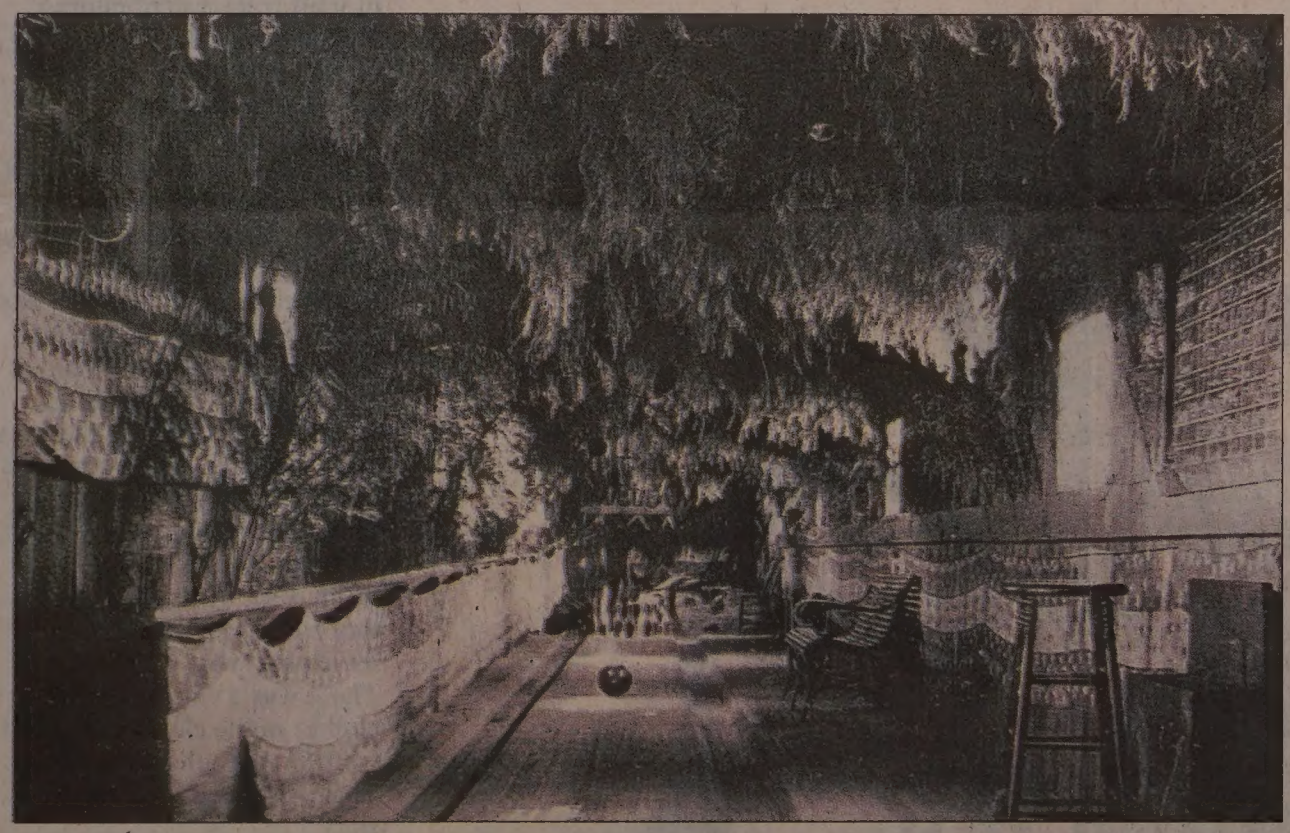

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Single lane bowling alley at the Belen Commercial Club in Belen, which later became the Belen Chamber of Commerce.

Days gone by

Courtesy of the Valencia County Historical Society

Nov. 4, 1952

Mrs. Selso Castillo honored her daughter, Ina, with a surprise birthday party late Monday afternoon at the Castillo home on West Aragon. Ina is 11 years old.

For the occasion, Mrs. Castillo surprised her daughter by having a TV set installed that morning. The group enjoyed TV programs and refreshments.

Nov. 28, 1952

The Dominican Sisters Convent, established here some 100 years ago, held an open house Sunday to about 750 visitors who were escorted (through) the newly redecorated nuns' living quarters. Guests found the convent had acquired a modernistic "new look" after its complete renovation last summer

The 4-feet thickness of the convent's adobe walls have been replastered and repainted in soft and gay pastel colors and a new ceiling some three feet lower than the old one was added.

Nov. 7, 1955

Belen now has five officers and one police car in operation. Mayor Earl Peter pointed out that it costs approximately $1,500 a month to operate the police department.

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in front of me.

Q What's a myth about your profession you'd like to bust?

A "College educators work as hard as people who work in other professions, and it isn't about 40 hours a week. Lots of work take place outside of the classroom, such as grading, researching, responding to students' questions, and preparing for the next class. With colleges offering more online courses, faculty who teach online courses work probably twice as much."

Q What were you like in high school?

A "Quiet, reserved, introverted, color within the lines. I went to a Catholic high school and lived in the dormitory my entire stay in high school. Getting in trouble was definitely not an option, at least for me. I was also career focused, and I read a lot."

Q What is the best advice you've ever received and from whom?

A "A long time ago, a friend's dad asked me about my plans for the future, while at a family gathering. I told him I planned to go for my doctorate degree. Then he asked what I was waiting for! I pondered

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Dr. Samuel "Sam" Dosumu began serving as chancellor at the University of New Mexico-Valencia campus in August 2022.

Submitted photos

most right now. After 19 years together, there's hers, mine and ours, and the volume of it all feels overwhelming at moments. Like an almost physical weight on me, suffocating and impossible.

The logical part of me understood I would need to let go of most of her things. Her clothes, for instance. We were very physically different, so there's nothing of hers that fits me or, frankly, is particularly my style. She also stressed to me she didn't expect me to hang on to everything that was hers, that she wanted someone to get use out of the material things she would leave behind.

In the weeks after her death, I sat in a silent house that felt too big, mentally reviewing what was hers. There was a whole rack of clothes in the closet she hadn't worn in more than a decade. That was an easy place to start.

As I pulled them out and packed them in bags to take to the thrift store, I remembered some of the stories she told

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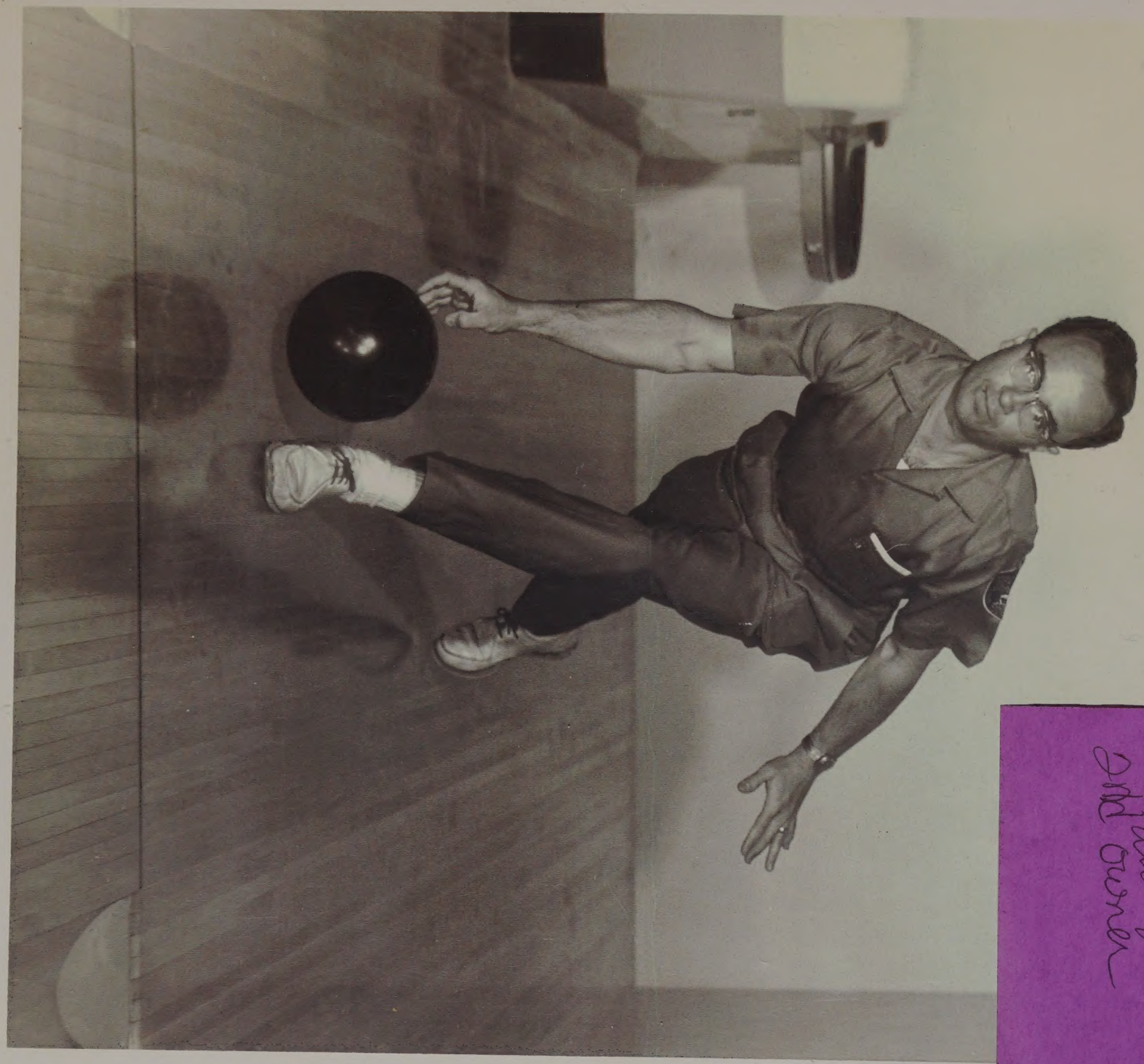
SUGAR Gladwell over



Sugar Gladwell
1st time
2nd owner

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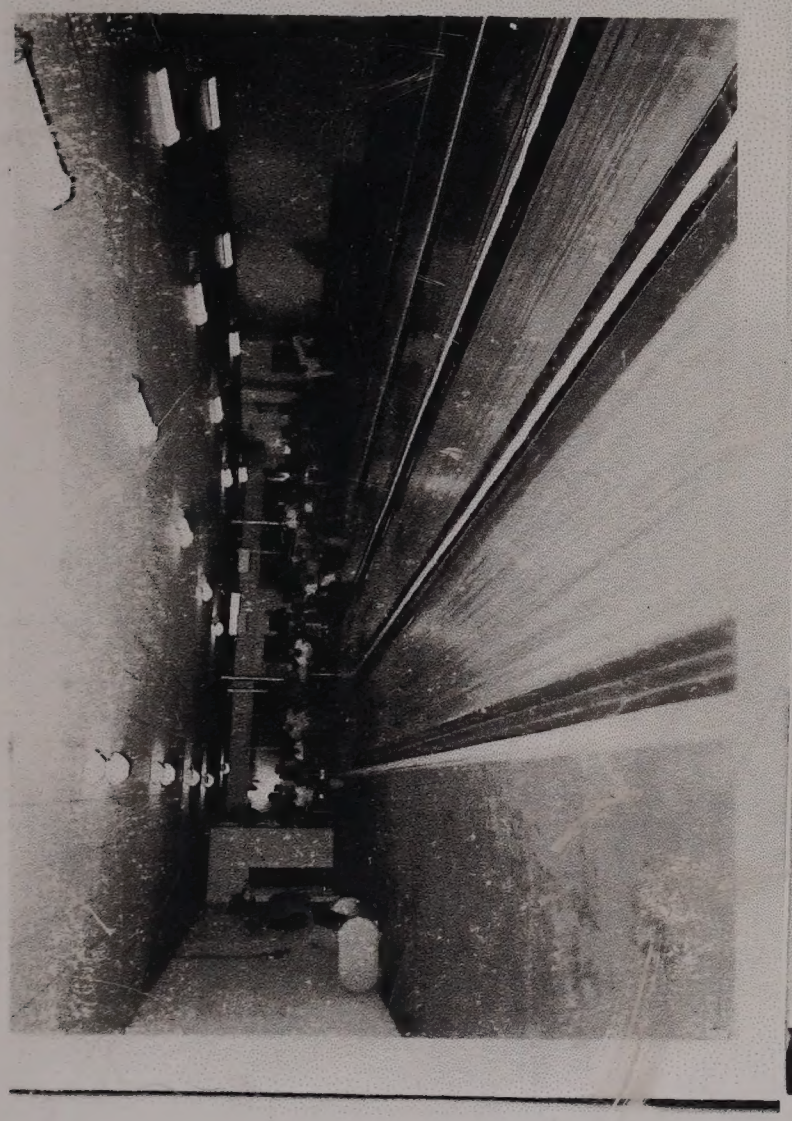

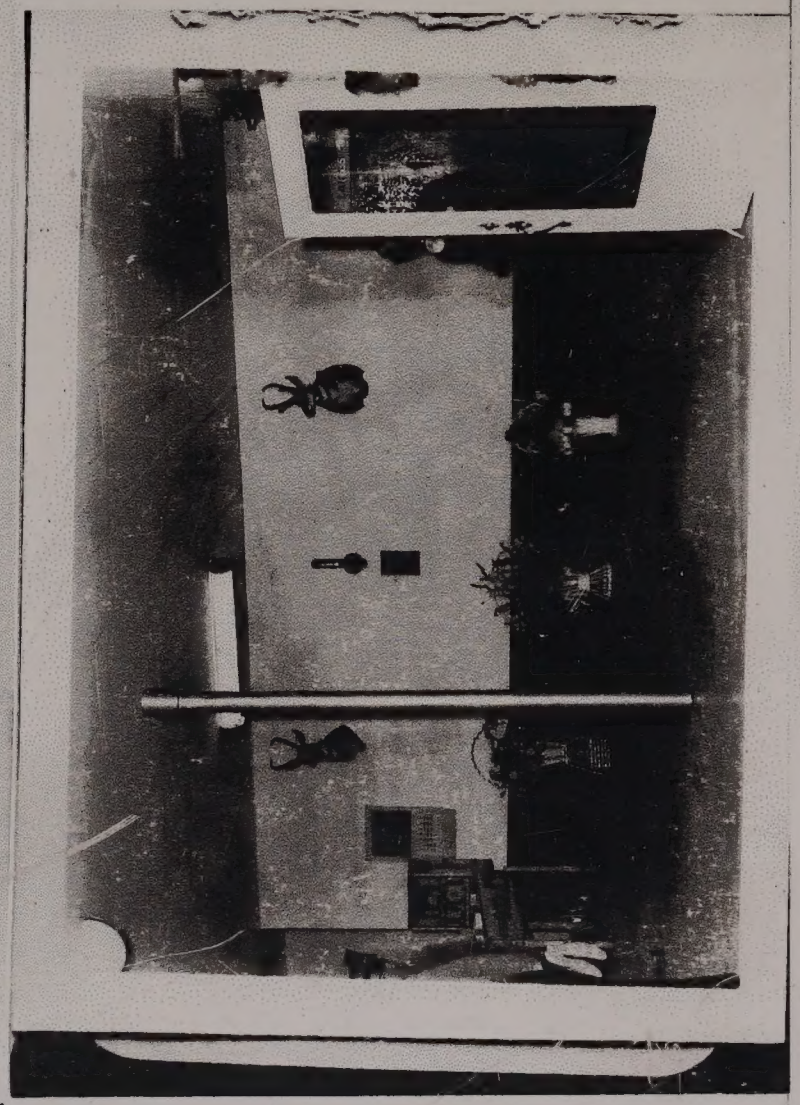

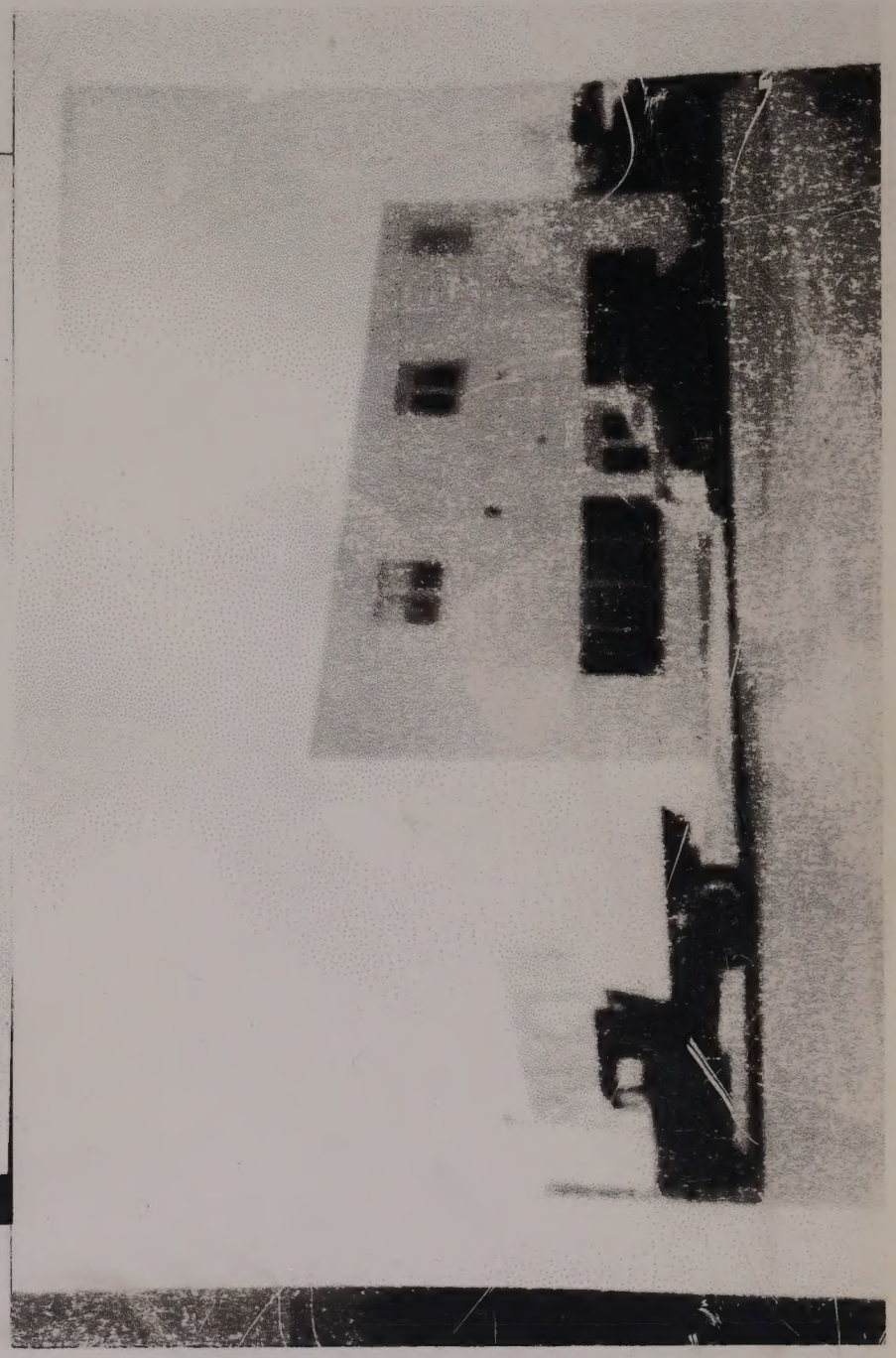

G&E Bowling Alley

Grand Opening September 25, 1945.

Named after its builders Pat Gibson and Ed Eucker.

G&E originally had 7 lanes eventually adding one more.

Pat Gibson's sons Ken and Glen worked in the bowling alley.

Ken ran the burger and soda fountain and Glen kept all the hand operated pins running smoothly.

Andy Vari Pappa a popular celebrity at the time visited the bowling alley shortly after opening, Pappa was known as a Trick Bowler, easily bowling 300's.

G&E eventually became what is known today as Sugar Bowl Lanes.

Sugar and Eva Glydwell owned and operated the Bowling Alley for over 50 years until retiring. It now sits vacant unless used in an occasional feature film.

Big Sugar's last Ride by Bowling Alley

Sugar's last Ride by Sugar bowl
10/12/2009

MARVIN Gladwell (min. Rand)
D: 9 Oct 2009
B: 21 Aug. 1928

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